Distractions Presentation Plan

1. Hook (distractions are going to happen=crucial to the success of your classroom that you are able to handle it
2. Word Wall (Homework discussion)
3. Material Discussion:

Preparing (more pro-active you are-the less re-active you’ll have to be)

1. Establishing Expectations

* First Day-set tone

1. Arranging the classroom

* Location
* high traffic areas
* seating partners

1. Fostering Classroom Connections

* Good relationship=you respect them-they won’t take advantage of you

1. Being prepared

* Having back up plans (in case something goes wrong)
* D.I (keeping it engaging and interesting)
* Outside factors could influence (socially/culturally)

Handling (no matter how much you plan-distractions are inevitable)

1. Following Through

* Enforce disciplinary areas you’ve created in your classroom
* Be consistent

1. Reacting

* (SEE LIST)
* Appropriate, discrete, and positive-minded

1. Monitoring

* Be aware/conscious
* Proximity Control

Technology and Distractions (even though these are tools-they sometimes are hindrances)

1. Cell Phones as Hindrances

* School blocking certain things
* Increase likeliness of cheating

1. Cell Phones as Tools

* Access internet anywhere/don’t need laptop for certain purposes
* Camera/video (notes/examples)
* Apps

1. Computers are hindrances

* Respondus LockDown Browser
* Lenovo Classroom Director

1. Computers are tools

* Activities that are useful and engaging
* Laptop is not a babysitter

1. Skits

* We will give you scenarios and your job is to brainstorm how you would prevent the distraction from occurring situation and then act out how you would handle the distraction.
* Groups:

Heart=Lauren, Emily, Laura

Square=Michelle, Sean, Sarah

Star=Roger, James, Amy

Circle=Kate, Nick, Kelci

1. Wrap Up=

* Distractions are everywhere
* You need to find what works for YOU-every teacher/class is different
* How you, the teacher, respond will set precedent for how your students do